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COAL, COKE, PETROLEUM, POWER PRODUCTION CONTINUE TO INCREASE

TUZLA COAL BASIN DEVELOPS RAPIDLY -- Borba, No 86, 11 Apr 50

. The first test drilling for petroleum has occurred between Pozarnica and Ugljevik \int in the Tuzla basin. Three deposits of coal are located not far from the drilling areas at Majevica, Drinca and Jasenica. The asbestos mine in Petrovo Selo is constantly expanding. In Tusanj, a large shaft is being dug for excavating rock. Many towers have already sprung up over the Tuzla basin salt wells.

Coal deposits in the Tuzla basin extend over an area 70 kilometers long and 14 to 18 kilometers wide, and the four strata of coal are 12 to 18 meters thick. The coal mines themselves contain over 4,500,000,000 tons of lignite. In Dubrava, a layer of coal 30 meters thick was discovered recently, and new coal mines are being opened at 66 locations in the Tuzla basin. At the end of the Five-Year Plan, the Tuzla basin coal mines will have a capacity of 6 million tons of coal per year.

The present production of coal is almost 2 million tons per year.

In the vicinity of Kreka, new open-pit mines are being opened. The coke factory in Lukavac, which will use 2,300,000 tons of coal per year, will begin the production of coke before the end of 1950. Two batteries of coke furnaces will be installed in the coke factory. One battery will have 40 stoking doors and the other 35 stoking doors. One furnace will require 12,000 fire bricks, including 300 different varieties. One battery already has been roofed and the foundation work on the other has been completed.

The smokestack of the coke factory will be over 100 meters high. The Tuzla basin will have a classification yard with 50 kilometers of railroad track. Every minute one ton of coal is being shipped out of the basin. $\sqrt{I}f$ this statement is taken 1 terally, the total would amount to only one fourth of the 2 million tons per year which the Tuzla basin is supposed to produce at present.

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ONE MILLION TONS MORE COAL IN 1950 THAN IN 1949 -- Rad, No 79, 3 Apr 50

Ljubljana, 30 March -- Slovenian coal production in 1950 will be one million tons greater than in 1949. The increase in production will be due mainly to the mechanization of the coal mines at Trbovlje, Senovo, and Zagorje and to the expansion of the eastern coal mine at Trbovlje and the lignite mine at Velenje.

PETROLEUM PLAN GREATLY SURPASSED -- Borba, No 84, 9 Apr 1950

Yugoslav enterprises for the processing of petroleum completed their basic three-month plan by 101.29 percent and their operational plan by 104.84 percent. Thus far, 23.94 percent of the 1950 plan has been completed. The refinery in Rijeka has completed 21.19 percent of the 1950 plan, the refinery in Sisak has completed 24.37 percent of the plan, and the refinery in Bosanski Brod has completed the 1950 plan by 28.77 percent.

NEW HYDROELECTRIC POWER PLANT UNDER CONSTRUCTION -- Borba, No 79, 3 Apr 50

Bihac, 2 April -- A new hydroelectric power plant will be constructed on the Una River near Bihac. It is scheduled to be completed by the end of the Five-Year Plan. This power plant will furnish 4 million kilowatt hours of power to Bosanska Krajina and to a section of Croatia.

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